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# Medical First Responders awarded for life saving CPR

**By Mary Weber** 

Staff Writer

Saving a life is no easy feat. It takes skill, quick, level headed thinking and promptness. More times than not, it's a Medical First Responder who makes the difference in whether a person having a cardiac arrest makes it to the hospital alive.

This is exactly why Scott Rice, Alcona County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) director, and EMS staff wanted to acknowledge the Medical First Responders in Alcona County who saved lives of people having a cardiac arrest over the past several months.

During a special event on Monday, six Alcona County first responders, four from Harrisville and two from Barton City, were awarded Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) "save" pins.

The four responders from Harrisville, Dan Klukowski, Ryan Mendyka, Brad and Daggett Roger Klukowski, were awarded pins for a save which occurred last June involving a 63-year-old who had difficulty breathing while being transported to St. Joseph Hospital in Tawas in a car driven by a family member. When first responders arrived, the patient was in cardiac arrest. The four men were able to get the patient out of the car and start CPR on the shoulder of the road before EMS arrived. "It was a save. We were able to get spontaneous respirations and pulses back once they arrived at Tawas hospital," Rice said.

The two Barton City first responders who received CPR "save" pins were Rodney Cordes and Billy Cordes for an incident which took place last month on Christmas Eve when the Barton City first responders and EMS responded to a call for a 53-year-old who was having difficulty breathing. "When the first responders and EMS got there, they found the patient conscious and awake and was sitting in a chair in her residence

"They could not get the cot into the house because there wasn't sufficient room, so they collectively decided to use the stairs to get the patient to the waiting stretcher. However, in doing so, the patient went into respiratory arrest. They managed to get the patient onto the stretcher and stayed on scene for a period of time doing aggressive CPR, drug therapy, got the patient intubated and defibrillated," Rice said.

The two Barton City first responders then accompanied EMS personnel in taking the patient to Mid-Michigan Hospital in Alpena.

Also recognized and thanked were Alcona County EMS paramedics and emergency medical technicians (EMT) who were on scene for the two calls, paramedic Greg Burns and EMT Linda Karpp who were on scene in Harrisville and EMT Scott Hoffman and paramedic David Kammerer, who were on scene in Barton City.

Rice said, "If it wasn't for the first responders in this county we (the Alcona County EMS) would not be able to achieve the results that we do. EMS cannot do this job by themselves, they need first responders. They are spread out around the county and in various communities and can get there very quickly. They have the basic skills and the basic equipment that citizens need to do the things necessary prior to EMS coming. All I can say is congratulations and keep up the good work."

# Fire chief passes helmet to long-time firefighter

**By Cheryl Peterson** *Editor* 

Stepping away from something someone has been involved with for a long time can be a difficult adjustment. So can taking on an important responsibility that one hasn't attempted before. However, when the time is right and when the person taking over is the best person for it, the transition can be seamless.

This is the case in Mikado Township when long-time fire chief Wayne Odell officially retired on January 1 and firefighter Regina Waszkiewicz took over. While Odell is lowing the footsteps of his grandfather (Austin Emerson) and father, who were both volunteer firefighters. He is a lifelong resident of Mikado and graduated from Oscoda High School in 1974. He has been employed by Northern Precision in Lincoln for 37 years. He and his wife, Debra, raised two sons and have two granddaughters. They enjoy camping together. He likes to ride ORVs and hunt and fish.

When Odell joined the department, training was not required. A couple of years later, he and eight other firefighters took a class and, then



Harrisville life savers receiving their pin (from left) Alcona EMS Director Scott Rice; Harrisville Medical First Responders, Brad Daggett, Dan Klukowski, Ryan Mendyka, Roger Klukowski; EMS Paramedic Greg Burns; and EMS EMT Linda Karpp. *Photos by Mary Weber*.



Barton City life savers receiving their pin (from left) Alcona County EMS Director Scott Rice, Barton City Medical First Responders, Billy Cordes and Rodney Cordes and EMS EMT Scott Hoffman. (Not pictured: EMS Paramedic David Kammerer).



Former fire chief Wayne Odell retires and Regina Waszkiewicz takes over as the new chief of the Mikado Volunteer Fire Department. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.* still a firefighter with the Mihe followed required training

kado Volunteer Fire Department, he will not oversee the department.

"I (had) been thinking about it for quite a while," Odell said. "I feel I've gotten a little stale. It's time for someone with fresh ideas... I was quite relieved when (Regina) said she'd take it. I had thought of her (for the position) for quite some time."

Odell took his place on the fire department in 1980 fol-

he followed required training as it was mandated. He is also a been a certified Medical First Responder since 1986, has been very involved in with the Alcona County Search and Rescue and is a

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#### **Obituaries**



#### Robert R. Weaver

Robert Raymond Weaver, 89, of Greenbush, died on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018 at home.

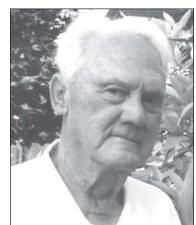
He was born on November 11, 1928 in Detroit, Mich. to Raymond and Helen (Stroud) Weaver.

He graduated from Van Dyke High School in Warren, Mich. He attended Bowling Green State University on a cross county scholarship until being drafted into the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

Upon discharge from the service, Mr. Weaver attended Mid-Western State University in Wichita Falls, Texas where he studied agriculture. He moved his family to Michigan where he began a career as a teacher, counselor and coach in Mayville, Mich.

After his career in education had run its course, Mr. Weaver acquired a general contractor license and started a career focused on building log homes and property management. During the time the Wurtsmith Air Force Base began to be disbanded Mr. Weaver acquired several properties to rehab in the Oscoda and Greenbush area.

He and his wife and their family own and operate the Red Rooster Restaurant in Greenbush.



Mr. Weaver is survived by his wife, Ginny; four sons, Craig (Lisa) Weaver, Chris Weaver, Robert (Erica) Yono and Matthew (fiancée Desiree Renz) Yono; three grandchildren, Brent (Whitney) Weaver, Brandon Weaver and Taylor Rose Yono; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Jean Plain and Cindy Carson: and one brother, William Weaver.

The funeral was held on January 5 at the Penzien-Steele Funeral Home, 149 N. Main Street in Vassar, Mich. Private burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Vassar, Mich. Memorial donations may be made to the Vassar Food Pantry or the Alcona Humane Society. P.O. Box 310 Lincoln, Mich. 48742.

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former president of the Alcona County Fire Fighters Association.

In 1988 he became the assistant fire chief while Fred Hoffman was the chief. "He stepped down in 1995 and I took over as chief," Odell said. "It's not an easy job. The state has more and more mandates and less funding every year. It's hard to keep up. If it wasn't for the fire millage our equipment wouldn't be as good as it is. And, we've been very fortunate with grants over the years. It's a struggle grants are almost nonexistent. I spent many hours preparing for them and every year got shot down.

"I think a lot of my success has been because of the support from the township board. We have a great relationship and support which has made it possible to get equipment," Odell said. "I have replaced every truck that we've had here and also added equipment."

As to how long he plans to be "just" be a firefighter, Odell is not sure. "I will stay on the department for a while... I'm the type of person who won't go on vacation on busy holiday weekends because I need to stay around. I don't know how many weekends we were pulling out of the driveway and heard the pager go off... I responded to the Iron Skillet fire from Alcona campground (in Glennie.) I'll probably run as many calls I do right now but..."

One of the biggest reasons he is staying involved is to help Waszkiewicz make a smooth transition into the position. Also a lifelong resident, she is the daughter of Marcia and Stanley Waszkiewicz. She lives in her grandparent's home and raises beef cattle, a few dairy cows, goats, chickens, peacocks, horses and "a lot of hay.'

Waszkiewicz attended Oscoda Area Schools and planned to graduate in 1993 with her class, until she became pregnant. She received a GED in 1994 from Alcona Community Schools and became a certified Medical First Responder. She joined the fire department in 1995.

She has three sons, Tyler Good, a student at Alpena Community College who is studying welding and machinery and twins Kyle and Ethan Good, who are both in the U.S. Marine Corps. She also has a 20-month-old granddaughter. "I am very proud of them (her sons), especially all that they went through growing up. They are good boys - literally and figuratively," she said.

When she isn't working with her father in his lawn care snow/plowing business and running the family's farm with her husband, Mike Corn, helping his with his mobile equipment repair business and grooming snowmobile trails for Alcona County, Waszkiewicz is a first responder and, now the new chief of the Mikado Volunteer Fire Department.

According to the memory of several firefighters who have been active in Alcona County for 20 plus years, Waszkiewicz is the first female fire chief in Alcona

County. There have been female fire fighters who have volunteered throughout the county since the early 1970s and a couple of women who have been assistant chiefs, but Waszkiewicz is the first to be a chief - something that doesn't really phase her, probably because she has worked in male dominated professions throughout her

She worked for several years as a licensed structures mechanic for Tempco, a company located on the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base, and is a licensed diesel mechanic. She is also taking over her father's business when he retires later this year. That's not the only maledominated profession where she has followed him -Stanley Waszkiewicz has been a firefighter on the department since the 1980s. "He's been on the department for as long as I can remem-

"My dad is quite positive that I can do anything,' Waszkiewicz said. "He has been my most positive sup-

"It's going to be a busy year," Waszkiewicz said. "I'm excited to do it and a little anxious because of the unknown stuff. I am sure there will be plenty of challenges, but I also know there will be plenty of help too. There is a lot of experience on this department. Our biggest challenge is finding people to volunteer to do the job. The young people who want to do it are low in numbers and training is also a challenge.

#### Sailor Jack and his dog Bingo have been on the Cracker Jack box since 1918.







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#### Precipitation Summary (Inches) for 2017-2018 Season

I		<u>Water</u>	<u>Snow</u>	<u>Normal</u>
I		Content	<u>Fall</u>	Water Content
I	Weekly Total	0.01	0.3	0.42
I	Month of December	0.52	7.6	1.83
I	January to Date	0.52	0.3	0.36
I	Year/Season to Date	0.01	8.3	0.36

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)



#### Calendar of Events



(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, bingo, garage sales, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

My Brother's Hope will be accepting donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meeting is free, handicap accessible. For more information, call (989) 464-3526.

The Pine River Watershed Coalition will meet at 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Open to the public. Learn about the conservation efforts within Alcona County to help protect and preserve the watershed.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call

(989) 724-6796 for details.

The Ossineke Eagles will be serving a dinner of sliders, fries and coleslaw from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at 6848 North US-23 (one mile north of Chippewa Point), Spruce. Cost is \$5 per person.

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

My Brother's Hope Potluck Cafe will be serving a meal from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). Call (989) 335-3541 for details.

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 15**

All ladies are invited to play bunco at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road at 2:30 p.m. Bunco is an easy game to learn, firsttimers are always welcome.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

Play euchre at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The selection for January is "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Knitting Klub & Crochet will meet from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. All levels welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

Community Walking Club

for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call (989) 736-8879 for details.

"Free Range Crafts" will meet from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Bring in your crafts in progress, ideas and questions to share with others. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

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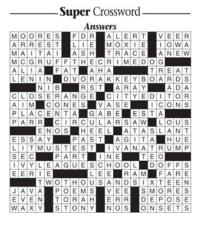
Anyone interested in amateur radio emergency and public service communications is invited to attend the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group meeting at the EMS building located at 2600 East M-72 at 6:30 p.m. Free refreshments will be served. Contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org for details

Join fellow comrades at the veteran's coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. All veterans are

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answer

If a hunting cartoon guy were wild about chocolate candy, would he be named Elmer Fudge?







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- Brenda Weaver

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gested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, Jan. 15—Roast pork, wild rice, cooked baby carrots, and applesauce.
- Tuesday, Jan. 16—Sausage and kraut, red parsley potato, green beans, tropical fruit, and bread pudding.
- Wednesday, Jan. 17— Smothered chicken, buttered noodles, stewed tomatoes, tossed salad, and peaches.
- Thursday, Jan. 18—Baked fish, baked potato, broccoli, and mandarin oranges.
- Friday, Jan. 19—Pepper steak, brown rice, mixed vegetables, and pineapple. (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

#### **Chorus Begins Rehearsals**

Huron Shores Chorus will begin rehearsals for the 2018

spring program on Sunday, Jan. 21 from 3:30 until 5:30 p.m. at Tawas Area Presbyterian Church located off US-23 in East Tawas. Anyone with an interest in vocal music is welcome to participate; prior musical training is helpful but not necessary. There are no auditions. A \$10 donation is requested but not required from singers to help cover chorus costs for the performance. Huron Shores Chorus is under the direction of Tracee Behnke-Lentz.

Concert dates are set for Friday, March 16 and Sunday, March 18. Because the concert dates coincide with the celebration of St. Patrick's Day, music selections will have a Celtic theme and will include "Danny Boy,", "Look to the Rainbow," from the musical "Finnian's Rainbow," "The Wind in the Barley," and "Mairi's Wedding."



The following individuals were sentenced in 81<sup>st</sup> District Court by the Honorable Laura A. Frawley in December 2017.

- David Dean Shreve, 60, of Clio, Mich. was sentenced to \$1,763.47 in restitution and \$1,070 in fines and costs of \$1,014 for four counts of non-sufficient funds, first offense.
- Carla Jean Palmer, 49, of Harrisville was sentenced to fines and costs of \$685 for disorderly person drunk.
- Shane Thomas Turpen, 37, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail and \$1,340 in fines and costs for operating while visibly impaired.
- Roy Junior Folwer Sr., 59, of Glennie was sentenced to one day in jail, 80 hours of community service, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$1,160 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.
- Devin Devere Fowler, 19, of Glennie was sentenced to 10 days in jail and fines and costs of \$1,225 for indecent exposure.
- Michael Joseph Franci Gleason, 24, of Lincoln was sentenced to five days in jail, 50 hours of community service and fines of \$2,805 for possession of marijuana/spice/salvia and operate while intoxicated.
- Holly Anne Jones, 38, of Oscoda was sentenced to fines and costs of \$00 for no valid license in possession.



# Do You Have News We Can Use? Calendar of Events

The Review's Calendar of Events is a free service and is published in chronological order as space allows. If it *has* to be published by or on a certain date, it is considered paid advertising.

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Please include a contact name & telephone number with each submission in case there are questions.



# Life long Alcona County citizen recalls 93 years of good living

**By Mary Weber** Staff Writer

Being related to someone in a rural community is not something new, many of Alcona County's citizens are related, but not all relations can say they have been active, lifelong citizens of Alcona County for 93 years.

There is one, however, who can, and she is so deeply enriched with relations that much of the county knows her simply as "Aunt Eleanor."

She was born Eleanor Fulsher on a farm in Gustin Township to Charlotte (Emerick) and Mark Fulsher in 1924. She was the couple's second child and first daughter. "I had three brothers and four sisters, but I was the oldest girl," Eleanor said.

The role of being the oldest girl meant she was very busy, but she got to boss her younger siblings around a bit and that was, in her words, pretty fun.

While cradling a cup of tea in her delicate, but weathered, hands Eleanor recalled playing outside with her brothers and sisters and the fun they would have making up games. "Sometimes we rode horses, they were pretty tame. We'd go roller skating a little at the old hall next to Kahn's store in Mikado, but I didn't roller skate much, I couldn't stand up on skates. They had dances there too, but I didn't go dancing. We only got one day we could go to the county fair and we thought that was a really big deal. In the winter we played in the snow and read a lot. I still like to read."

Eleanor gazed through the door wall of her niece, Ann Glore's, home at the fresh snow sparkling in the sunshine and said Christmas was always a big deal and with eight children in the house there were lots of presents, but mostly they were homemade gifts. "There was always a Christmas program at the school and a few times we couldn't take the car because it snowed too much. Everybody went by horse and sleigh instead," Eleanor said. She recalled being in the

She recalled being in the 4-H sewing club when she was young and making quilts. She wasn't that good at making quilts, but she enjoyed doing it. Eleanor was 10 years old when she made her first quilt.

As a child, Eleanor went to Killmaster Grade School, a one room school, and later graduated from Oscoda High School.

Her mother and aunt were both teachers and her mother played the violin and the piano, so there was always a lot of music in their house. Eleanor played the piano and played the French horn in the high school band.

Her mother also excelled at canning and cooking and would cook the big meal of the day at lunch time and then the family would eat whatever was left over for supper. Ann recalled going into her grandmother's cellar and seeing rows and rows of canned produce and fruit,



At 93 years young Eleanor Silverthorn holds the first quilt she made when she was 10 years old. Eleanor has been a life-long active citizen of Alcona County and attributes her years to a life of good living. *Photo by Mary Weber*.

especially berries, of which she would be allowed to pick one to have berries on ice cream.

Eleanor met her husband, Arthur Silverthorn, just before he went into the service during World War II. The introduction was made by Arthur's first cousin, Lorraine (Cook) Byce.

"Art didn't grow up here, he lived in Detroit with his mom and his stepfather. I met him up here after he was living with his grandparents, the Cook family," Eleanor said.

A while after they were married, Arthur began working for the Alcona County Road Commission and Eleanor worked at the county building in the Register of Deeds Department and the clerk's office. "That was way before computers, you had to be the computer. I would write in the big ledger books and everything had to be perfect," Eleanor said. She retired from the county when she was about 65.

The couple was members of the First Baptist Church in Lincoln. Arthur was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Harrisville and Eleanor was part of the Ladies auxiliary. She said her husband bowled a lot and she bowled a little and played a little golf. The couple enjoyed

spending time with Lorraine and Gene Byce and even traveled with them to Florida a few times.

They celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary just prior to Arthur's passing in 1997. They had no children of their own, but were never without children in their lives. "That's what happens when you come from a big family, I think I have approximately 20 nieces and nephews and who knows how many great nieces and nephews. It's a lot of people," Eleanor said.

Ann explained there is a large family reunion held each year in August on the old family farm with about 60 relatives coming from all over. "We have a hay wagon ride each year which is a lot of fun for the kids from the city," Ann said.

Today Eleanor is easy to smile and seems to enjoy visitors and life. She likes to watch game shows on TV and still reads just about anything. She isn't sure why she has been able to live 93 years but chalks it up to good living. Eleanor said, "You wonder sometime why you're here. I don't know. Some days I feel 70. I never did smoke and never drank too much. We ate good as kids on the farm. I feel good."

#### NOTICE

The Caledonia Township Planning Commission announces their 2018 meeting schedule.

January 8<sup>th</sup> May 7<sup>th</sup> September 10<sup>th</sup>
February 5<sup>th</sup> June 4<sup>th</sup> October 1<sup>st</sup>
March 5<sup>th</sup> July 2<sup>nd</sup> November 5<sup>th</sup>
April 2<sup>nd</sup> August 6<sup>th</sup> December 3<sup>rd</sup>

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Curtis Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the 2018 Master Plan at 6 p.m. on February 1, 2018 at the Curtis Township Hall located at 4875 F-30, Glennie, MI 48737. The draft 2018 Master Plan can be viewed at the township hall or on the Curtis Township website, https://curtistownship.com. Comments can be submitted to:

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# New technology will help road commission trucks run more efficiently

In an old television police comedy, the dispatcher who repeatedly called to determine the location of patrol car 54 might have appreciated the monitoring devices that were recently installed on some Alcona County Road Commission trucks.

According to Managing Director Jesse Campbell, while not intended to be locating devices, the devices will be used to track and log data to determine operational and mechanical efficiencies. The data that is collected is transmitted via cell-phonebased technology to a data base accessible for up-to-theminute or post-operation monitoring.

On-board computers in newer trucks in the road commission's fleet collect data such as fuel consumption, driver characteristics, engine performance and diagnostics, as well as location

"Location monitoring may be more likely used during the winter months," Campbell said. He explained a map showing the real-time location of trucks helps in the assessment of the progress of snowplowing efforts. Based on that information, it can be determined whether plowing is on schedule, if additional crew and equipment need to be deployed to the area, or if extending the work day will be necessary.

Campbell explained the diagnostic capabilities are the most important attributes offered by the devices. While fuel consumption is difficult to compare from one truck to another because of variables such as size of the truck, terrain, accessory equipment, and varying weather conditions, fuel usage data for individual trucks is useful in forecasting future fuel costs.

Engine function data including temperature, RPMs, hydraulic pressure, oil/fluid pressures, shifting patterns, etc. will help in calibrations and adjustments to ensure maximum efficiency. Such data might also influence specifications for future trucks.

Campbell said most remarkably, the devices are "friendly" with the truck's own computerized monitoring system and will actually transmit an alert before the truck indicates a service engine soon or other system failure warning. The synchronization also ramps up an already vigilant preventive maintenance program because the new devices extract such stats as engine hours and send a message when services need to be scheduled.

'This technology allows us to be more scientific in our approach to our operation," Campbell said. "Now, we can use real statistics to decide if we're selecting the most practical machinery and using it in the most efficient way possible. Plus, it helps us to take even better care of our equip-

ment.'

"The eight units purchased so far cost about \$110 each and there is a monthly subscription fee of \$18.95," Campbell said. He explained that many road commissions across the state have been using this technology with the outcome justifying the costs over time. "It's a small investment compared to the anticipated efficiencies we can bring about."

# County acquires new cardiac monitors

**By Mary Weber** Staff Writer

Over the next five years the Alcona County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) will be leasing five new cardiac monitors at a cost of \$150,000. The lease package also included two new automated external Defibrillators (AEDs).

The new Physio-Control Life Pak Number 15 cardiac monitors will replace three recalled monitors which were in county use. According to Alcona County EMS Director Scott Rice, the older Philips MRX models were under a national recall prompting the search for new equipment.

"They had some problems with battery connections and electrical terminal issues and may not defibrillate properly when prompted to. The company can't or isn't able to fix them, so we needed to look for something that would work for us," Rice said.

Rice did a bit of investigating to make sure he placed the two AED machines in areas where larger congregations of people meet. An AED is a portable electronic device that diagnoses lifethreatening cardiac arrhythmias and can treat them through defibrillation.

The life-saving device is relatively easy to use by anyone with some simple guidance. "It's important to have these when every minute, every second, counts. The Sheriff's department has them, the fire departments and first responders have them, the schools have them.

"I looked around and noticed the county courthouse didn't have one and that concerned me. We will be putting one of the AEDs there with an alarm on it. The other will go into the classroom of the main EMS station on M-



Scott Rice, Alcona County EMS Director, shows off one of the new cardiac monitors that will be housed in each of the four county ambulances. Photo by Mary Weber.

72. A lot of people use that classroom during the day, evenings and on the weekends. I want something there so if we are out on a run, help is available. The more tools and training we can get out there in the public's hands the better the outcome, should there be a need," Rice said.

He explained having five cardiac monitors will mean each ambulance can be equipped with one and there would be one spare used for training purposes or be available if another ambulance is acquired in the next few years, "I'm not saying that will happen, but it leaves the option open," Rice said.

The new monitors will allow the EMS staff to perform a 12-lead electrocardiogram (EKG), will defibrillate, monitor pace, and has capnography which will measure the amount of carbon monoxide in the blood system. Each monitor has a built-in blood pressure cuff, can be used to treat adults or pediatric patients and transmits

the information to the hospi-

Rice believes the old monitors were refurbished models as their manufacturing dates were several years old, but had only been in Alcona County ambulances a few years.

"I'm working on getting some word on whether we will be reimbursed somehow for the recalled models. I've sent emails and haven't heard anything. I'm sure they are inundated with requests, Rice said.

The new models were manufactured late in 2017 and have a life expectancy of around five to seven years. At the end of the lease the county has the option to purchase the five monitors for \$1 each or turn them in for new up-to-date models.

Rice is happy with the acquisition and felt the new monitors were far superior to what they replaced, "I've personally used these monitors for six years prior to coming to Alcona County. I'm familiar with their capabilities and worthiness."

# SENIOR ZIFESTYLES Financial tips for retiring abroad

Dear Savvy Senior,

What are some financial factors to consider when retiring abroad? My husband and I will be retiring in a few years and are interested in living in a foreign country that's cheaper than the U.S. Frugal Couple

Dear Frugal,

Retiring abroad has become a growing trend for millions of U.S. retirees who are looking to stretch their retirement savings. Here are some tips and resources to consider that can help you

For starters, you can find lots of information and articles on the countries and cities you're interested in retiring to at websites like InternationalLiving.com and EscapeArtist.com.

Another good tip is to talk or network with some expatriates who have already made the move you're thinking about making. They can give you tips and suggestions on many issues, as well as the advantages and disadvantages and day-to-day reality of living in a particular country. Some popular sites for finding expat resources are ExpatExchange.com and ExpatForum.com.

But before committing to location, most experts recommend that you visit multiple times during different seasons to see whether you can envision yourself living there and not just exploring the place as a tourist. Also, consider these financial fac-

- Cost of living: Retiring abroad used to be seen as a surefire way to live beyond your means, and for some countries it still is. But the U.S. dollar isn't what it used to be, so your money may not stretch as far as you think. See Numbeo.com for a country-by-country cost of living comparison.
- Taxes: No matter what foreign country you decide to retire in, as long as you're a U.S. citizen you must file an annual tax return reporting all income above certain minimums, not matter where it's

earned. For details see the IRS publication 54, "Tax Guide for U.S. Citizens and Resident Aliens Abroad" at IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/

• Health care: Most U.S. health insurance companies do not provide coverage outside the U.S., nor does Medicare. Check with the embassy (see USembassy.state.gov) of your destination country to see how you can be covered as a foreign resident. Many countries provide government-sponsored health care that's inexpensive, accessible and just as good as what you get in the states, or you may want to buy a policy through Medibroker (Medibroker-.com) or Bupa Global (Bupa-Global.com).

Also know that most people who retire abroad eventually return to the U.S., so you should consider paying your Medicare Part B premiums. If you drop and resume Part B, or delay initial enrollment, you'll pay a 10 percent premium penalty for every 12month period in which you



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could have been enrolled.

• Banking: Opening or maintaining a bank account abroad has become more difficult because of the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act, a U.S. law designed to prevent Americans from hiding assets abroad. So, you may have to establish a savings and checking account with an institution that has international reach like Citibank. And/or consider maintaining your U.S. bank account that you can access online, and get U.S. credit and debit cards that don't charge foreign transaction fees.

• Rent versus buy: Buying a home in a foreign country can be complicated, so it's

usually cheaper and simpler to rent, unless you know you're going to live there for a long time.

• Social Security: You can receive your monthly Social Security benefits almost anywhere you live around the world (see SSA.gov/international/payments.html). Your benefits can be deposited into your bank account either in the U.S. or in your new home country, but there are some exceptions.

The U.S. State Department offers a handy checklist that can help you think through all the issues on retiring abroad. To access it visit Travel.state.gov and search for "retirement abroad."

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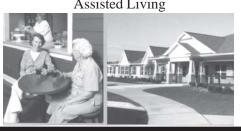
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## Gone up for life The Murderer of Walter Carr at the Bar of Justice

A FAIR AND IMPARITIAL TRIAL Clearly Establishes the Guilt of Charles Weightman, HE IS NOW BEHIND PRISON BARS

**January 12, 1893** ~ The Weightman murder trial is ended. It ended without a shadow of doubt as it should have done. A jury of his peers, sitting in solemn judgment on his case, has passed a verdict that convicts Chas. Weightman of the fearful crime of taking a fellow creature's life with malice aforethought, and as a penalty for this crime he has been sentenced to the penitentiary for life at hard labor.

#### THE CRIME

The crime for which Charles Weightman stands convicted, was committed on Sept. 22, 1892. The scene of

the tragedy was a lonely log house which had once been part of a set of log camps located about 5 miles, by an indirect route, west from Mud Lake Jc. and in the township of Haynes. The nearest neighbors lived three miles away through the woods. In this house lived Weightman with Walter Carr and the latter's family, consisting of his wife and their and children. Carr Weightman had been copartners for a year prior to this. They had purchased, a quarter section of land of Alger, Smith & Co. and had made a small clearing on it and had planted thereon crops of corn, potatoes, bagas and buckwheat. They also took cedar jobs and cut hemlock bark and did such other work as came to hand, sharing equally in the profits and dividing the expense of maintaining the establishment.

At the time the crime was committed they were engaged in building a barn at Mud Lake Jc. for Chas. Foley. From testimony that was taken at the examination before Justice Beede, but which was excluded at this trial, it appears that an intimacy had sprung up between Weight-man and partner's wife or at least Carr suspected that such was the

case and many jangles were the result. The Carr house bore rather a hard reputation among the neighbors and it was suspected that it was the rendezvous for a class of petty malefactors, who sallied forth on lawless errands, secure in their retreat from public espionage.

On the morning of September 22 Carr went to the Junction as usual. Weightman remained at home until about 10 o'clock, when he and Mrs. Carr started for the Junction to get needed provisions. Carr and Weightman had a drink together there in Foley's saloon, but neither drank to excess or became

intoxicated. After the arrival of the freight all started home up the railroad track. When they had gone about 60 rods the two men had an altercation. The woman's testimony as to the details of this encounter is the same as Weightman's. Not a word had been spoken between the two men since they left the station. There had been no words and no dispute. Dropping a cradle he carried in his hand Carr suddenly stepped up to Weightman and catching him by the shoulder turned him around and with an oath, exclaimed.

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"I've a notion to cut the heart out of you!" Dealt him a blow in the temple which felled him to the ground.

Pouncing on his prostrate form, Carr turned Weightman's face up to him and dealt him three more blows. Weightman took his licking like a little man, offering no resistance either by word or act to Carr's treatment. This bit of romance was further embellished by a statement that he arose and reaching out his hand offered it to Carr at the same time saying to him, "What have you got against me Walter?" Thereupon Walter knocked him down again and kicked him. Weightman then arose and without more ado started for home with Mrs. Carr, Carr himself returning to Mud Lake Jc.

It is the theory of the prosecution that Weightman and Mrs. Carr plotted Carr's destruction on their way home, for on their arrival there Weightman at once drew all the cartridges from two rifles that were in the house, and hanging up one of them took all the cartridges and the other rifle and went out of

the house. Mrs. Carr testified at the justice examination that on their way home Weight-man said, "He'll be sorry for this. I'll shoot him," and as he passed out of the door of the house he said, "I'll go to the top of the hill and shoot him there." Mrs. Carr said, "No. he won't come that way.'

Meantime Carr had returned to Mud Lake Jc., from whence he started home by a short cut, accompanied by son-in-law, David LaFrance. Friends endeavored to dissuade him from going home that night as more trouble was feared. Arriving home they found Weightman sitting in front of the house. They exchanged greetings, Carr passed into the house followed by La France; Weightman came in after them. "Are you mad at me, Walter," he said, speaking to Carr, "No, Charlie, I am not," was the reply. "This is a pretty face you've put on me, ain't it?" he rejoined, referring to his injuries. "You deserved it, Charlie, or you wouldn't have got it," was the reply.

Weightman turned then and went out of the house. In

a few minutes La France, who was standing by the door inside, put his head out and saw him approaching the house with the rifle in his hand. Weightman exclaimed, "Come out here, Walt Carr, you - of a - , you can't do me now." At the same time reversing the lever of his gun to throw a cartridge in position for firing. Carr started to go out but La France urged him not to do so for he had a gun and intended to shoot him. "Two can play at that game," said Carr, and he stepped into the adjoining room and taking down the rifle from which the cartridges had been extracted started for the

The two men met on the threshold. Their rifles clashed as they strove to divert each other's aim. Weightman fired, the shot knocking the sight off Carr's gun, which grazed his knuckles and his throat, and lodged in his right shoulder. Carr's gun snapped and Weightman fired again. This was the fatal shot, penetrating his right breast and passing through the body, striking the heart in its passage, producing instant death. The first shot

brought Carr to his knees; after the last one he fell forward on his face a dead man.

Mrs. Carr had taken the children as soon as her husband came home and went with them off to the barn. At the examination she gave as reason for this that she feared trouble and did not want to see it. As the body of the murdered man lay prostrate before them, and the smoking Winchester was still in the murderer's hand, he said, "I've a notion to blow his brains out," but the wife and La France implored him not to do so saying that he had done enough.

After the tragedy, the murderer, accompanied by all the witnesses to it, started for the settlement, the murderer expecting to give himself up, but after going a mile all but La France and the oldest girl returned to the house, The latter going on to notify the authorities of the tragedy.

The officers returned at 11 o'clock. The murderer submitted quietly to arrest and after a quasi examination before Justice Shaw was brought to Harrisville and lodged in jail the following morning, where he has been

since confined.

#### THE TRIAL

The murderer was arraigned Tuesday at the opening of court. W. E. Depew. who had been appointed to defend him, was present and Ex-Pros. Atty. Snow and Hon. C. K. Henry appeared for the People. The regular panel and nearly the whole of a special panel of 100 jurors was exhausted before 12 men satisfactory to both sides could be found to try the case. It was not until late Thursday afternoon that the jury was completed as follows: Anthony Procunier, Peter Carlson, Geo. Layer, Wm. Ballance, Jno. S. Fullerton, Rosell Lee, Donald McIvor, Josiah D. Coon, Jacob Kramer, Lauch-lin C. McIvor, Louis DeRosia, Jr., Albert Ducharme.

The taking of testimony was begun at the evening session, Mrs. Carr, wife of the murdered man, was put on the stand. She had been forcibly detained as a prisoner in the county jail since the murder to secure her presence at this trial. After

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# Michigan's trapping tradition, a challenging, time-honored pursuit

Anyone who has spent much time in Michigan knows that hunting and fishing have always played major roles in the state's heritage. Michigan is, and has long been, known nationally for the quality of its outdoor recreation.

But one natural resourcesbased recreation coterie, which garners very little attention, is quick to point out that its members' pastime is at least equally as important - if not more so - as anyone else's in Michigan history -trappers.

Trappers are the invisible men and women of outdoor recreation. You don't see them in blaze orange or towing metal flake-finished boats to the lake. But they are out there, often daily, participating in a pastime that brought a lot of folks to this part of the country in the first place.

"The city of Sault Ste. Marie was founded as a fur-trading post, the first in Michigan, said Dale Hendershot, a 67year-old retired diesel mechanic and past president of the Michigan Trappers and Predator Callers Association. "Michigan trappers settled our state - they were the first ones in here, paving the way for others to come.

"Trappers have certainly played a big role in Michigan history."

Indeed, some say trapping was so important in presettlement times that Michigan became known as the Wolverine State, even though it's not certain that the ferocious creatures ever lived here. But wolverine pelts certainly showed up in Michigan, which was the gateway to western U.S. and Canadian trapping expeditions.

Roughly 30,000 people buy fur harvester licenses in Michigan every year, about half of whom are trappers. (The other half are those who hunt furbearing species, though some do both). Of



Beaver trapping on an April day with Richard and Cole Stowe in Presque Isle County. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.

those, however, only about half participate in any given year. In the most recent survey (2015) conducted by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), only about 14,000 of the 28,000 license buyers hunted or trapped furbearers.

The DNR has been tracking the numbers of fur takers since the late 1950s, and the number of participants has remained relatively constant. The DNR lacks historical data, but it is assumed there

were more trappers in Michigan years ago, especially during the Depression and before the widespread use of synthetic fabrics for cloth-

Participation grows modestly when fur prices are high and falls when they are not, but the bulk of trappers will tell you they're not in it for the money anyway.

'When prices are good, you can make a little money trap-

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ping, but it's nothing like it used to be," said George Cullers, 78, a life-long trapper and a past trappers' association president. "Most people do it for a hobby and the love it. I just love doing it – when I'm out there trapping I don't feel any aches or pains.

"I'm hoping I can do it another 10 years. It's excellent exercise. And after deer season, I have the whole outside world to myself. I hardly ever see another hunter or trapper out there."

Because it was somewhat lucrative in the past, trappers were often secretive about their pastime, preferring to keep their secrets to themselves.

"Historically, trappers wanted privacy," said Adam Bump, the DNR Wildlife Division's furbearer specialist. "It attracted people who were more solitary. Trappers wanted to fly under the radar."

But trapping is not well understood by the general public, Bump said, and that's led to a new willingness on the part of trappers to discuss their sport, something that even some of the oldtimers welcome.

"We have a lot of trapper education instructors, and a lot of our members will go into schools and put programs on, to introduce students to furbearers," Hendershot said. "There are a lot of people who misunderstand trapping. There are a lot of people who believe all the things the antis (anti-hunters) have to say that simply are not true."

Cullers agreed. "Trappers should be willing teach the young ones," he said. "That's our heritage. And a lot of them are willing now; it's not as bad as it used to be. It should be your responsibility to pass it along to the younger people. I think it's your duty as a trapper to do that.

"We do have a few young ones coming on, but all of the outdoor sports are hurting in that area – it's that little thing (cell phone) they hold in their hand – that's their whole world. I'd like to see more kids getting into it, but we've got our work cut out for us."

Cullers, who still runs about 70 traps, said his father was a trapper but was tight-lipped about it, even with his own son. He pretty much had to learn it on his own and has done his best to pass his knowledge along to his nephew and grandson.

Trapping, like other pastimes, has evolved over the years. At one time, trappers used only foot-hold traps. But over the years other styles, such as body-gripping traps and dog-proof paw traps, have come into use. Cable restraints, which were legalized in Michigan a number of years ago, have become popular with some trappers for coyotes and foxes.

The DNR regulates the use of various types and styles of traps to minimize conflicts with other recreationalists and prevent problems.

"There are a lot of options, and the traps are a lot more selective," Bump said. "Back in the day, trappers would catch whatever they could. Now there's a lot more focus on catching what you want and avoiding what you don't want. The regulations allow trapping to occur while minimizing the catch of nontarget

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A trapper brings a coyote he trapped out of the woods on a beautiful winter's day in Eaton County.

# Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of January 1-7, 2018

98 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 6 Arrests; 1 Warrant Arrest; 1 Domestic; 2 Drive While License Suspended; 2 Possession of Marijuana; 11 Traffic Tickets Issued.

Complaint Statistics										
Car/Deer Accidents	12	Traffic/Traffic Stop	30							
Medical	16	Animal Neglect	1							
Warrant Arrest	1	Property Damage Accident	5							
Assist	4	Animal/Dog	3							
Fraud	1	No Insurance	1							
Miscellaneous	2	Well Being Check	3							
Malicious Destr. of Property	1	Fire	2							
Domestic	2	Alarm	4							
Truancy	1	Possession of Marijuana	2							
Drive While License Susp.	2	Suicidal Person	1							
Lost Property	1	Civil	1							
Gun Shots	1									

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species and avoiding conflicts with other users.'

Because of the increased complexity of trapping – with participants needing familiarity with a variety of regulations, equipment and techniques - teaching tools like Michigan's trapper education program are important.

"There's a vast misconception on trapping in Michigan," Hendershot said. "We pushed for a trapper education program because so many people didn't understand it. We wanted people to know how to do it properly, to teach them how to do it right and give them the resources that if they don't know what to do, where they can go to learn.'

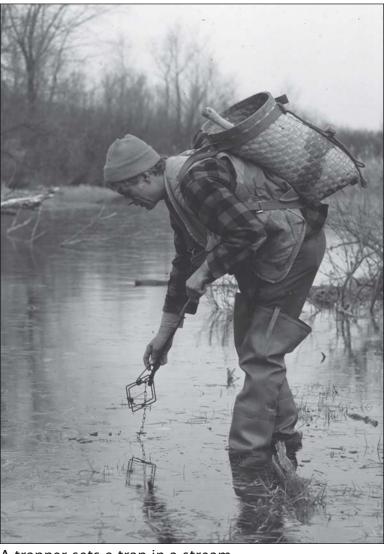
Hendershot is convinced that trappers are among the state's most knowledgeable sportsmen.

"I enjoy matching wits with the animals," he said. "You have to figure out where that animal is going to put its foot, and you've got to put that pan (which trips the traps) that's about an inch in diameter right there to make it work. That's the challenge. It forces you to learn the habits of the animal.

"I teach hunter education, and bow hunter education, but I tell my students that if they really want to get to be

good, they should learn how to trap. It's a whole different ballgame."

For more information on trapping visit www.michigan-.gov/trapping.



A trapper sets a trap in a stream.

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# Black tern numbers decline with habitat loss in Great Lakes

By Eric Freedman

Capital News Service

The once-abundant black tern is far less abundant in Great Lakes wetlands, a victim of habitat loss and invasive plant species. And there's a high risk that more colonies will be abandoned, according to a new study.

Since 1991, the number of active black tern colonies has plummeted nearly 90 percent, the study found. Major factors included changes in vegetation from invasive plants at breeding sites and land development near colo-

"Decline of black terns in the Great Lakes region has been severe, and preventing abandonment of remaining colonies is an important stopgap measure for maintaining the bird's presence until the causes of its decline are better understood," study authors Katherine Wyman and Francesca Cuthbert of the University of Minnesota wrote.

"Many scientists view continuing wetland habitat loss and degradation as a major barrier to black tern conservation in North America," they said in a new article published in the journal Wetlands Ecology and Management. And fewer breeding sites increases the birds' vulnerability to natural disas-

Terns aren't the only beneficiaries of coastal wetlands preservation and restoration.

Cuthbert said fish nurseries benefit, as do other birds such as the least bittern — a threatened species in Michigan — Virginia rail, piedbilled grebe and marsh wren. All those species need water they can walk, swim or forage in.

In Michigan, black terns are "not doing well," and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has listed them as a species of "special concern," said Rachelle Roake, the Michigan Audubon Society's conservation science coordinator.

Bird survey data show generally a three-to-eight percent annual decline since the 1960s, Roake said. She cautions that survey data is more difficult to collect for water birds like the terns.

Terns, which feed on fish and insects, generally nest in deep-water wetlands colonies with two to 50 breeding pairs. Their nests are built on floating layers of plants that are hard for scientists and predators to reach.

"They have lost a lot of habitat. They're also very specific in the type of wetlands habitat they like, a mixed mosaic of open water and emergent vegetation, which can be somewhat hard to find nowadays," Roake said.

Consider the Upper Peninsula, where 50 to 100 pairs of black terns used to nest each summer at Ogontz Bay near Escanaba. In 2016, that number dropped to 15 nests and to none in summer 2017, said Caleb Putnam, the Michigan bird conservation coordinator for the DNR and Audubon Great Lakes.

Fluctuating water levels may be responsible for determining the extent of aquatic vegetation such as the marsh bulrushes that form nesting platforms for terns, Putnam said.

Terns are flexible and find alternative nesting spots "but we don't know where the birds went," even after an airplane survey of Big Bay de Noc and Little Bay de Noc, he

As for villains, the new study identified invasive wetland plants that grow at high density, such as phragmites and reed canary grass. They grow so thickly that they leave no natural gaps to provide protected nesting sites and access to open water where terns can forage for food.

Cuthbert said coastal wet-

lands are important for biodiversity. "When they fill in, that habitat is lost. Throughout the Great Lakes, a lot of coastal wetlands are being lost to invasive species."

In addition, the study found that the proportion of developed land within 550 yards of colony sites related to high rates of colony abandonment, while those surrounded by agricultural land are more likely to survive.

Researchers looked at data about 78 black tern colonies on the U.S. Great Lakes, Lake St. Clair and their connecting waterways. They included sites near Sault Ste. Marie, Manistee, Cedarville, Whitefish Point, Pointe Mouillee Marsh and Sebewaing.

"Colonies on Lake Michigan and Lake St. Clair were more likely to be abandoned than colonies on Lake Huron, including St. Marys River, or Lake Ontario," according to the study.

For example, the study said the St. Clair River Flats, a delta that's home to an estimated 145 to 400 pairs of terns, faces intense pressure from development, and future development may increase the risk of colony abandonment. The delta, the largest in the Great Lakes system, is at the mouth of the St. Clair River in Lake St. Clair and sprawls across the Michigan-Ontario border.

Putnam said terns do well there because of extensive floating mats formed by the prior year's dead bulrush stems.

Despite the terns' troubling population decline, Wyman and Cuthbert reject suggestions that it's hopeless to spend money to maintain active colonies.

To the contrary, they say the probability of abandonment can be reduced if conservationists and land managers focus on restoring wetlands by managing vegetation and eradicating invasive plants. Their study also called for minimizing development activities near the colonies.

As for the future of already-abandoned colonies, Audu-bon's Putnam said, "My guess is, if you can promote enough openings and promote formation of mats, there's a chance you can recruit them to come back."

A monitoring project planned for next summer will experiment with clearing three areas in a DNR-owned cattail marsh in Saginaw Bay's Wigwam Bay State Wildlife Area, he said.

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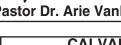
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# Buggy Rides

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Continued from page 9 the impaneling of a jury had begun, an attempt was made to secure a change of venue, but Judge Simpson put an emphatic veto on it and declared that the case would have to be tried in Alcona County and at that time if every man in the county had to be subpoenaed.

We shall not attempt to give Mrs. Carr's testimony, or in fact any of it in detail.

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Space is too limited. She was on the stand until 9 o'clock Thursday evening, at which time one of the jurors became so sleepy that an adjournment was taken until Friday morning, when she was put on the stand again.

No testimony taken at the examination was admitted in evidence on this trial. At the examination this witness stated that on their way home Weightman said Carr would

be sorry for what he had done for he would shoot him, but last week Mrs. Carr testified that Carr said on the day of the murder that he would have Weightman's life before night.

La France succeeded Mrs. Carr on the stand. He was a remarkably good witness and his testimony did not very an iota in any important particular from that given at the examination. He was standing within two feet of the men when the tragedy occurred. His testimony was straightforward and he was as immovable as the rocks of Gibraltar, He recited Weightman's challenge to Carr to come out, how Weightman fired first, and poured a second and fatal shot into the body of Carr, who had fallen to the ground.

It was La France's testimony that convicted the mur-

derer unquestionably. Considerable other testimony of less importance was introduced. Weightman was put on the stand in his own defense. He denied ever having had any trouble with his partner. He related a pretty romance which was the main hope of the defence in clearing the murderer. He stated that blackbirds were destroying the buckwheat and that on the night of the murder and the night previous he had taken his rifle to scare them away. After scaring the blackbirds away he was carrying the rifle back to the house to put it up in its customary place. He had no thought of using it with murderous intent until be saw a rifle thrust out of the house in his face with Carr at the trigger end of it. He claimed that Carr's rifle struck his hand and discharged his rifle

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and he claimed to have fired but one shot. His story was the only evidence put in by the defense.

Arguments were commenced Friday evening, M. D. Snow opening the case for the People. He was followed by W. K. Depew for the defense, who made the best of a bad case, bringing everything to bear upon the *jury* to secure an acquittal on the ground of justifiable homicide, or at least a disagreement.

C.U. Henry closed the People's case in a masterly manner Saturday morning. He completely riddled the defense. He destroyed the farce of the blackbird story by stating that blackbirds, or any birds, in fact, never feed at the time of day mentioned by the prisoner, and further that they never feed on buckwheat. He demonstrated the untruth of Weightman's claim that his rifle was discharged by Carr's rifle barrel striking his hand by showing that Carr's rifle barrel was shorter than Weightman's. "Furthermore the sight on Carr's gun was shot off and this could not have been done had Carr's rifle barrel reached as far as the trigger hand of the murderer.'

Judge Simpson's charge was lengthy and gave the prisoner every show.

The jury went out at 11:30 a.m. They at once took a ballot which stood 10 for conviction and 2 for acquittal. Twenty minutes were taken up in discussing the testimony and another ballot was taken which showed a clear ballot for conviction as charged. The result was not announced until the reconvening of court at 1 o'clock.

Judge Simpson at once pronounced sentence upon the prisoner, which is to Jackson for life at hard labor. The general opinion is that it is a just verdict, although but few believed that the jury would agree to anything greater than second degree.

Weightman was taken to Jackson Monday morning by Sheriff Lund.

Her testimony showed an evident purpose to shield Weightman as far as lay in her power at every possible point. She told a story at the trial that bore little resemblance to her testimony at the examination. At that time Pros. Atty. Snow had threatened her with prosecution for complicity in the crime and she promised to make a clean breast of the crime, which she did as the price of her immunity from prosecu-

But her long confinement in jail had given her time to reflect and as the cell she occupied and the one occupied by her paramour were within whispering distance, it was the theory of the prosecution that they had had ample time and opportunity to make their stories harmonize so as to give Weightman every appearance of having acted wholly in self defense.

#### Alcona Review Weather Report

#### Seven Day Forecast



#### WEDNESDAY

Cloudy Areas of Fog High: 40 Low: 32



THURSDAY Few Showers High: 46 Low: 22



#### FRIDAY

Few Snow Showers High: 24 Low: 6



SATURDAY

Few Snow Showers High: 14 Low: 2

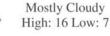


SUNDAY

Mostly Cloudy High: 13 Low: 4



MONDAY





TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy

Partly Cloudy High: 18 Low: 9

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Today's Regional Map

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**In-Depth Local Forecast** 

Today we will see cloudy skies with areas of fog,

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1950. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 60%

chance of scattered rain, overnight low of 32°.

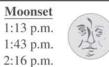
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		Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise
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1/16		Thursday	8:10 a.m.	5:13 p.m.	3:12 a.m.
		Friday	8:10 a.m.	5:15 p.m.	4:11 a.m.
		Saturday	8:10 a.m.	5:16 p.m.	5:09 a.m.
First	B	Sunday	8:09 a.m.	5:17 p.m.	6:03 a.m.
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#### UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

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The Northeast will see mostly cloudy to cloudy skies through Friday with scattered showers and isolated snow, highest temperature of 58 in Evansville, Ind. The Southeast will experience mostly cloudy skies through Friday with scattered showers, highest temperature of 79 in St. Cloud, Fla. In the Northwest there will be mostly cloudy skies

7:41 a.m.

through Thursday with scattered rain and snow, partly cloudy skies Friday with isolated snow, highest temperature of 54 in Coos Bay, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies through Friday with scattered rain Wednesday, highest temperature of 70 in Indio, Calif.

5:20 p.m.

**National Weather Summary This Week** 

#### Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set				
Mercury	6:43 a.m.	3:35 p.m.				
Venus	8:16 a.m.	5:09 p.m.				
Mars	3:31 a.m.	1:17 p.m.				
Jupiter	3:22 a.m.	1:14 p.m.				
Saturn	6:57 a.m.	3:49 p.m.				
Uranus	12:05 p.m.	7:00 p.m.				

#### Weather History

Tuesday

<u>Jan. 10, 1949</u> - Snow was reported at San Diego for the first and only time since 1882. Snow was noted even on some of the beaches in parts of the Los Angeles metropolitan area. Burbank reported 4.7 inches and Long Beach and Laguna Beach received one inch of snow.

#### Weather Trivia

What is vorticity?

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Answer: The rate of spin of a parcel of air.

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#### StarWatch By Gary Becker - So You Want to Go to Space?



What is it like to go into outer space? I've read a lot of insightful descriptions: the years and years of training, so that your tasks are so tightly choreographed that it almost becomes as natural as breathing, the intimidation of the machinery that will take you into space, and the fact that any mistake can be fatal. Space is unforgiving and to be unprepared is to face certain death. Mike Massimino in Spaceman, Crown Archetype, New York, 2016, probably has provided the most personal portrayal of his first day in space. He was a Mission Specialist/Spacewalker on STS-109, launched on March 1, 2002, the fourth mission to the Hubble Space Telescope. "Mass," as he was nicknamed by his fellow astronauts, wanted to go to space his entire life. Mass wrote, "And you feel horrible, absolutely strips your bady to space his entire life. Mass wrote, "And you feel horrible, absolutely have the property of th

terrible. Adjusting your body to space is painful. Bodily fluids shift. In space, fluids are free to float up to your head, Everybody's face was red and flushed and puffy." Astronauts feel as if they have unending sinus blockage. Food also loses its taste. "Your spine elongates again, because there's no gravity keeping it compressed. You grow about an inch in space, and all those sensitive muscles in your back have to stretch and adjust. That's painful too." But the worst is probably the nausea induced by the fact that "your eyes are telling your brain that you're moving, and your inner ear is telling your brain that you're still, because your inner ear fluids don't move when you're weightless." Since there is no up or down in space, performing a summersault feels like you are remaining perfectly motionless while the interior of the ship is whirling around you "which causes the worst vomit-inducing feeling of vertigo you've ever experienced." Normally after a few days, the nausea subsides, but about a third of all shuttle astronauts suffered from queasiness throughout their entire mission. Having participated in scores of small aircraft parabolas, where weightlessness is induced for about five seconds, I know that I'd be in the perpetually "not so pretty group" if I went to space. I'm glad to be living on terra firma, www.astronomy.org



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#### Trivia Test By Fifi Rodriguez



- 1. SCIENCE: What is the first element on the Periodic Table?
- 2. MUSIC: What is the title of Disney's theme song and who sang it in the movie "Pinocchio"?
- **3. U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Who was the first president to live in the White House?
- 4. HISTORY: In what year did England, Scotland and Wales unite to form Great **Britain?**
- **5. CARTOONS:** What type of dog is Scooby Doo in the "Scooby Doo" TV series?
- **6. ANIMAL KINGDOM:** How many hearts does an octopus have?
- 7. FOOD & DRINK: What is hummus made of traditionally?

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- 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What well-known pediatrician and author won a gold medal for rowing in the 1924 Olympics?
- **10. MOVIES:** What was the name of the whale in the movie "Free Willy"?

Answers: 1. Hydrogen; 2. "When You Wish Upon a Star" sung by Jiminy Cricket; 3. John Adams; 4. 1707; 5. Great Dane; 6. Three; 7. Chickpeas; 8. Kentucky; 9. Dr. Benjamin Spock; 10. Keiko (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

# **Super** Crossword

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#### **SUMMING UP** THE NEW YEAR

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- On Jan. 18, 1778, English explorer Captain James Cook becomes the first European to discover the Hawaiian Islands when he sails past the island of Oahu. Two days later, he landed at Waimea on the island of Kauai and named the island chain the Sandwich Islands, in honor of the earl of Sandwich.
- On Jan. 21, 1855, John Moses Browning, sometimes called the "father of modern firearms," is born in Ogden, Utah. When he was 24 years old, Browning received his first patent, for a rifle that Winchester manufactured as its Single Shot Model 1885. The rifle is still made today.
- On Jan. 16, 1919, the 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, prohibiting the sale of alcohol, is ratified and becomes the law. It failed to prevent the distribution of alcoholic beverages, however, and led to the rise of organized crime in America.
- On Jan. 15, 1936, Edsel Ford, the son of auto industry pioneer Henry Ford, forms a philanthropic organization called the Ford Foundation with a donation of \$25,000. The foundation was established in part as a legal way for the Ford family to avoid inheritance taxes.
- On Jan. 17, 1953, a prototype Chevrolet Corvette sports car makes its debut at General Motors' Motorama auto show. The Corvette was named for a fast type of naval warship.
- On Jan. 19, 1977, President Gerald Ford pardons Iva Toguri, one of the "Tokyo Rose" Japanese women who broadcast Axis propaganda over the radio to Allied troops during World War II. Toguri was a U.S. citizen who was trapped in Japan when war broke out.
- On Jan. 20, 1987, British negotiator Terry Waite is captured by Shiite Muslims in Beirut while attempting to win freedom for Western hostages. He was not released for more than four years.

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# Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- The unknown soul who made the following sage observation must have been a keen observer of events: "A politician can appear to have his nose to the grindstone while straddling a fence and keeping both ears to the ground.
- In the 17th century, a Frenchman opened a coffee shop in London and sold chocolate, newly imported from the Americas, for 10 to 15 shillings a pound. That may not sound like much until you learn that at the time, the going price of a pound gold was 20 to 30 shillings.
- Are you interested in pogonotrophy? If you're a woman, the answer is probably no. The word, derived from the Greek word "pogon," or "beard," and the suffix "trophy," or nourishment, refers to the growing of a beard.
- Most people realize that many places in the United States were once known by different names. Here's a sampling: the Potomac River was originally called Conococheague Creek, Camp David was named Shangri-La, and the USA itself was once known as the United States of Congress Assembled. E
- · Good news for the not-so-neat among us: Making your bed could be bad for you. A study done in the United Kingdom at Kingston University showed that the linens of an unmade bed retain less moisture, therefore making them less attractive to dust mites.
- Evidently it's not just humans who associate a deeper voice with maturity (and desirability) in males. It seems that male owls try to appear more macho and attract females by lowering the tone of their hoots.

Thought for the Day: "The cult of individual personalities is always, in my view, unjustified. To be sure, nature distributes her gifts variously among her children. But there are plenty of the well-endowed ones too, thank God, and I am firmly convinced that most of them live quiet, unregarded lives." -- Albert Einstein

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# **CryptoQuip**

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Clue: F equals C

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Mortgage sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis John Caldwell, unmarried, mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS) as nominee for American Advisors Group, mortgagee, dated the 26th day of July, 2014 and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 14th day of August, 2014 in Liber 509 of Alcona County records, page 201.

Said mortgage having been assigned to American Advisors Group on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of ninety two thousand eight hundred fourteen & 50/100 (\$92,814.50), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided. notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of February, 2018 at 10 a.m. o'clock local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the west entrance to the Alcona County building in Harrisville, Mich. (that being the building where the circuit court for the county of Alcona is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 3.992 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land. including any and all structures, and homes. manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the township of Gustin, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: The northwest 1/ 4 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 8 East, Gustin Township, Alcona County, Michigan, except the south 1/2 of

the south 1/2 thereof. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a. the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Pursuant to 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption pe-

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the mortgagee or the mortgagee's attorney Dated: January 10, 2018 American Advisors Group Mortgagee Fabrizio & Brook, P.C. Attorney for American Advisors 700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510 Troy, MI 48098

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To all purchasers: the foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

#### **Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale**

Mortgage sale - A mortgage was granted by Joseph A. Rutkowski, a single man and Connie L. Forsythe, a married woman, mortgagor(s), to Dort Federal Credit Union, 2845 Davison Road, Flint, Mich. 48506, mortgagee, dated July 25, 2008, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, and state of Michigan, on July 31, 2008, in Liber 454 on page 783 of Alcona County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of thirty thousand six hundred fifty eight dollars at 4.0 percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mort-

State of Michigan **County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate** File No. 17-5767 DE

Estate of Lewis Frank Parris Date of birth: December 23, 1931 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Lewis Frank Parris, died Novemher 29 2016

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Bobby Lynn Parris, personal representative, or to both the probate the court at 106 5th Street, P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: December 27, 2017 Matthew S. Slazinski P51897 512 Fast 11 Mile Road, 3rd floor Royal Oak, Mich. 48067 (248) 544-2640 Bobby Lynn Parris 1374 Haynes Court Birmingham, Mich. 49009 (248) 739-6305

gage, or any part thereof; notice is hereby given by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mort-

And, pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on February 14, 2018, at 10 a.m. local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the Alcona County circuit courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan (that being the building where the circuit court for the county of Alcona is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: Township of Curtis, county of Alcona and state of Michigan, to wit: Lot 8

of the supervisor's plat of Larry's Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of plats, page 170, Alcona County records.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption pe-

John W. Butler (P 33908) Attorney for Mortgagee 24525 Harper Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770 Dated: January 10, 2018 1-10, 1-17, 1-24, 1-31

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#### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Wednesday, Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those in attendance included president Jordan, treasurer Hussain, clerk Somers and council members Gauthier, Healy, Mahalak, Putsky, Somers and Zielinski. The minutes of the December 2017 meeting were approved on a motion from Mahalak, with support from Gauthier. The treasurer's report was approved. subject to audit, on a motion from Gauthier, with support from Mahalak.

Fire chief Mike Serafin gave the report from December. There were 11 medical runs and six fire runs. They gave mutual aid to both Harrisville and Mikado departments during the month. One fire was fought in sub zero weather. He cautioned that people who use wood for heating need to be vigilant in cleaning their chimneys to prevent buildup. There will be only one meeting held by the department per month during the

The street report was given. Currently, the most pressing issue is keeping up with the snow. Some residents have complained about

the snow that is pushed into their driveways. President Jordan stated that our main objective is to keep the snow cleaned up to the best of our ability. Michelle Webber has started working with Steve to do snow clean up. Right now, she is working on sidewalk

The sewer report was also given. Gary Bartow of Fleis & Vandenbrink has been here for meetings several times. He is working on the SAW grant for the village. Ariel maps have also been made that show all the storm drains. President Jordan is working on figuring which ones are in the DDA district and which are on major or local streets.

In old business, Putsky gave an update on the boat launch grant and meetings that were held with Huron Engineering recently. He said they are waiting on three permits and then the bids will be put out for work on the new launch. President Jordan gave his report. The RRC training program will be starting soon. The first seminar

will be held on February 13 and will cover modules 1.2 and 3. The second seminar will be held on April 17 and covers modules 4,5 and 6. They will be held in Clare,

Mich. Phil, Holly and Sara are on that committee.

The planning commission will meet in session on Wednesday. Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. at the village hall. Denise Cline of NEMCOG will be working to ensure that everything is set to go with the Master Plan as well.

Last year we appropriated funds to crack seal village streets. However, that has not been done yet. President Jordan will be getting recommendations of companies to complete the sealing from our engineers and the county road commission. He also reminded council members that we will need to plan for payment to the engineers for the study on Barlow Road project in our new budget.

Several young people have been working to clean the snow off of Brownlee Lake in order to skate and play hockey. President Jordan stated that he has enjoyed seeing the group using the ice.

A motion was made to pay the bills by Zielinski, with support from Healy. Carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Healy, with support from Zielinski.

> Linda K. Somers Village Clerk

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